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DD Form 2054-1, Visual Information (VI) Annual Report, and DD Form 2537, Visual Information Caption Sheet are prescribed by this part.

(b) Air Force publications and forms referenced in this part are available from NTIS, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161 or online at http:// www.afpubs.hq.af.mil. DoD publications available are at httn:// www.defenselink.mil/pubs.

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§813.1 Purpose of the visual information documentation (VIDOC) pro-

Using various visual and audio media, the Air Force VIDOC program records important Air Force operations, historical events, and activities for use as decision making and communicative tools. VIDOC of Air Force combat operations is called COMCAM documentation. Air Force publications are available at NTIS, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161 or online at http://www.afpubs.hq.af.mil. DoD publications are available http:// at www.defenselink.mil/pubs.

§ 813.2 Sources of VIDOC.

Primary sources of VIDOC materials include:

(a) HQ AMC active and reserve combat camera (COMCAM) forces, both ground and aerial, whose primary goal is still and motion media documentation of Air Force and air component combat and combat support operations, and related peacetime activities such as humanitarian actions, exercises, readiness tests, and operations.

- (b) Visual information forces with combat documentation capabilities from other commands: HQs ACC, AETC, AFRES, and AFSPACECOM.
- (c) Communications squadron base visual information centers (BVISCs).
- (d) Air Digital Recorder (ADR) images from airborne imagery systems, such as heads up displays, radar scopes, and images from electro-optical sensors carried aboard aircraft and weapons systems.
- (e) Photography of Air Force Research, Development, Test & Evaluation (RDT&E) activities, including high speed still and motion media optical instrumentation.

§813.3 Responsibilities.

- (a) HQ AFCIC/ITSM:
- (1) Sets Air Force VIDOC policy.
- (2) Oversees United States Air Force (USAF) COMCAM programs and combat readiness.
- (3) Makes sure Air Force participates in joint actions by coordinating with the Office of the Secretary of Defense staff, Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS), executive departments, and other branches of the United States Government.
- (4) Approves use of Air Force COMCAM forces in non-Air Force activities.
 - (b) Air components:
- (1) Manage air component COMCAM and visual information support within their areas of responsibility. Documents significant events and operations for theater and national-level
- (2) Sets requirements for COMCAM and VI support. Includes requirements in operations plans (OPLAN) force lists, concept plans (CONPLAN), operations orders (OPORD), and similar documents. See Air Force Manual (AFMAN) 10-401, Operation Plan and Concept Plan Development and Implementation.
- (3) Coordinate with MAJCOM VI managers to plan and source VIDOC forces for war, contingencies, and exer-
- (4) Provide input (VI and COMCAM requirements) to HQ AMC/SCMV, 203 West Losey Street, Room 3180, Scott AFB, IL 62225-5223, as required to develop the annual VI Exercise Support Plan. Include requirements to exercise

VI forces to refine operational procedures and meet defined objectives.

- (c) HQ AMC:
- (1) Provides primary Air Force ADR theater support to the air component commanders.
- (2) Maintains a deployable theater support Unified Transportation Command (UTC) to manage ADR requirements above the aviation wing level. This includes the gathering, editing, copying, and distribution of ADR images from combat aviation squadrons for operational analysis, bomb damage assessment, collateral intelligence, training, historical, public affairs, and other needs.
- (3) Sets combat training standards and develops programs for all Air Force COMCAM personnel (includes both formal classroom and field readiness training).
- (4) Coordinates and meets COMCAM needs in war, operations, and concept plans.
- (5) Provides the Air Force's primary COMCAM capability and assists air component and joint commands with deliberate and crisis action planning for USAF's COMCAM assets.
- (6) Provides component and theater commands COMCAM planning assistance and expertise for contingencies, humanitarian actions, exercises, and combat operations.
- (7) Acts as manpower and equipment force packaging (MEFPAK) manager for COMCAM UTCs.
- (8) Funds HQ AMC COMCAM personnel and equipment for contingency or wartime deployments. (The requester funds temporary duty and supply costs for planned events, such as non-JCS exercises and competitions.)
- (9) Develops and monitors the annual Air Force-wide VI Exercise Support Plan for the Air Staff, with assistance from air components and supporting MAJCOMs. (Use criteria contained in §813.4(e)(1) and provide equitable deployment opportunity for tasked commands' VI resources.)
 - (d) MAJCOM VI managers:
- (1) Plan and set policy for documenting activities of operational, historical, public affairs, or other significance within their commands.
- (2) Train and equip VIDOC forces to document war, contingencies, major

- events, Air Force and joint exercises, and weapons tests.
- (3) Make sure COMCAM and BVISC forces meet their wartime tasking and identify and resolve deficiencies. Refer significant deficiencies and problems and proposed resolution to HQ AFCIC/ITSM.
- (4) Allow documentation of significant Air Force activities and events, regardless of their sensitivity or classification. Protect materials as the supported command directs. Safeguard classified images or handle them according to Department of Defense (DoD) Directive 5200.1, DoD Information Security Program, June 7, 1982, with Changes 1 and 2, and AFI 31-401, Information Security Program Management. The authority in charge of the event or operation approves documentation distribution.
- (5) Update UTC availability in MAJCOM information systems.
- (6) Assist Air Force Operations Group, in identifying the command's capability to support COMCAM and VI requirements.
- (7) Provide inputs to HQ AMC/SCMV for the annual VI Exercise Support Plan for JCS exercises.
- (8) Make sure units that have deployable VI teams have Status of Resources and Training System (SORTS) reportable designed operational capability (DOC) statements that accurately reflect their mission and taskings
- (9) Develop and oversee measurements, such as operational readiness inspection criteria, to evaluate VI force readiness at DOC-tasked units.

§813.4 Combat camera operations.

- (a) Air Force COMCAM forces document Air Force and air component activities.
- (b) The supported unified command or joint task force commander, through the air component commander (when assigned), controls Air Force COMCAM forces in a joint environment. If an air component is assigned, the air component normally manages documentation of its operations. Air Force COMCAM and visual information